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suddenly died, leaving a wife and six children. The present work had then been some few months finished.

In eleven chapters, the story deals with the minuter details of a hard life experience. It begins in the home of his father, a working tailor, where "thirteen coffee beans have to make fourteen cups." We follow him as a lad into East Pomerania; then as one of that vast multitude of contract laborers into Saxony. In Holstein he becomes Hütejunge for a small peasant; later Dienstjunge, and last Grossknecht. His three years in the cavalry (ch. 82) would make an invaluable document for the Peace Society. He becomes a social democrat "without knowing it," getting convictions from experience rather than from books—"dispossessing one both of personality and morals, so worthless seems to him the mechanism" of the army.

The story is told with graphic simplicity that reminds one of Gotthelf's famous "Uli, der Knecht." It is distinctively the intimate personal document with its limitations, but also with its persuasiveness and power. It is perhaps the one best worth translation.

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Statistics and Its Methods

The Mortality of Alcohol. A Statistical Approximation of the Deaths in the United States in Which Alcohol may Figure as a Causative or Contributory Factor. By EDWARD BUNNELL PHELPS. Reprinted from the "American Underwriter Magazine and Insurance Review," Vol. XXXVI, No. 1, September, 1911. (New York: Thrift Publishing Company. 1911. Pp. vi, 75. \$2.)

We have in this study the first serious attempt to estimate the influence of alcohol upon the death-rate in the United States. The ingenious method was as follows: From the 187 causes of death which were given in the mortality statistics of the registration area of the United States, 106 were selected in which it was thought that alcohol might have had some influence in causing or hastening death. In the first estimate attempt was made to discover what share of the deaths of males between the ages of 20 and 74 from these 106 diseases was to be directly or remotely connected with alcohol. With this end in view the list was sent to three medical directors of insurance companies, who were requested to put opposite the name of each cause of death a personal estimate of the percentage of male deaths from that cause, between